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SUBJECT: GROMYKO'S POSTPONED TRIP TO CAIRO

1. EGYPTIAN EMBASSY OFFICER TOLD US MAY 29 THAT GROMYKO SENT TWO MESSAGES TO FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY WITHIN THE LAST FEW DAYS. ACCORDING TO THE EGYPTIAN BOTH MESSAGES CONCERNED GROMYKO'S NOW-DELAYED TRIP TO CAIRO, WHICH THE EGYPTIAN SAID WILL "PROBABLY" TAKE PLACE IN JUNE, ALTHOUGH SO FAR AS HE KNOWS NO DATE HAS BEEN AGREED.

2. ASKED WHAT HAPPENED, THE EGYPTIAN SAID INITIALLY THAT THE POSTPONEMENT OF GROMYKO'S VISIT PROBABLY REFLECTED SOVIET CAUTION IN ANTICIPATION OF SADAT'S MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD. HOWEVER, IN THE CONTEXT OF A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE SOVIET-LIBYAN ARMS AGREEMENT, PRAVDA'S MAY 27 ATTACK ON AL AHAM, AND OTHER BILATERAL PROBLEMS, THE EGYPTIAN CHARACTERIZED SOVIET-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS AS "PRETTY BAD" AND NOT IN A STATE TO INDUCE GROMYKO, "MUCH
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